"The South 40"

by JAMES A. SMITH
EXTENSION AGENT

There is some interest in bird control in standing corn. Keith Harris and O. H. Tolley, Jr. called the problem to my attention this week. Corn problems from Prince Edward and Charlotte Counties, likewise, discusses the problem last Thursday on the Ciba-Gegy Tour at Hix Brothers farm.

Birds can be controlled with a chemical sold under the trade name Avitrol. It was registered in 1972 for bird control in standing corn.

Results are greatly improved when all farmers in an area treat but individual farmers can protect their fields. This material is sold through the Bureau of Sports Fisheries and Wildlife and the Virginia Department of Agriculture in order that control of use can be monitored. Results have been excellent in most places in Virginia where it has been used.

Only one kernel in one hundred is actually treated with the active toxicant. There are two reasons for this dilution rate: 1. to spread the small amount of treated bait over a wider area of the field and 2. to provide such a dilution that any one bird would likely only consume one treated grain. The one treated grain is sufficient to cause the bird that consumes it to react. And several reacting birds can frighten several thousand birds out of the "undesirable" field. The reactions are distress calls and flying about in an erratic behavior pattern by the bird eating the treating grain.

You would need ½ to 1 pound of grain per acre of corn. If it should rain within 24 hours after application the bait should be re-applied.

When making applications no bait should be placed within 50 feet of the outer edge of the fields, roadways, or waterways. This eliminates affecting non-targeted wildlife.

The cost is 77c per pound.

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63 yearlings have been consigned to the Yearling Sale September 12 from Appomattox County. Consignors are Joe Bondurant, J. C. Caldwell, Jr., W. R. Paulette, M. B. Taylor, C. C, Ranson, and R. E. McClenny, Jr.

950 steers from all counties have been nominated. We could handle another 400 to 500. If you have some large steers or heifers, weighing 400 - 1000 pounds we would be glad to assist you in getting them sold at this special sale.

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We're looking forward to the Piedmont Market Hog and Trade Show September 19 in Farmville. If you have hogs, let's see them in the show. For those that don't have hogs, it will be a good show to visit.

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If you have a farm pond that tends to stay muddy you may like to try Gypson. Gypson causes fine suspended clay particiles to coagulate and settle to the bottom. Apply by spreading over surface of pond at rate of 12 pounds per 1000 cubic feet of water, about 700 pounds required for ½ acre pond. There is no detrimental effect to plants, animals, fish, or drinking water.

PRECIPITATION

Last Week	.51
This Month	3.20
This Year	27.70

Rocks

AUGUST 19 - Farmers are very busy cutting tobacco and hay. They report a very fine crop of tobacco.

Mrs. Don Wagner and son, Gary, left for Winston-Salem, N.C. last Monday returning on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Ranson "are all smiles", It's a boy, David Thomas, born at Virginia Baptist Hospital on August 13th.

Mrs. Gladys Anderson, of Kansas City, Mo. arrived Thursday to visit Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Moore and others.

Mrs. Toby Inge and Mrs. Thomas Ranson were in Lynchburg Friday.

A sad gloom was cast over our community Friday night when news came that Mrs. Aubrey Dickerson, of West Va., had died at her home there. Sympathy is extended the family.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Almond and daughter, Barbara and Ricky are in Tennessee for a few days.

Mrs. Lockie Martin is out after a bee string recently.

A number of the young folks will soon be leaving for college. Best of luck to them.

The Rocks Quartet rendered special music at the Torrence Reunion on Sunday p.m. at Appomattox at W.O.W. Building.

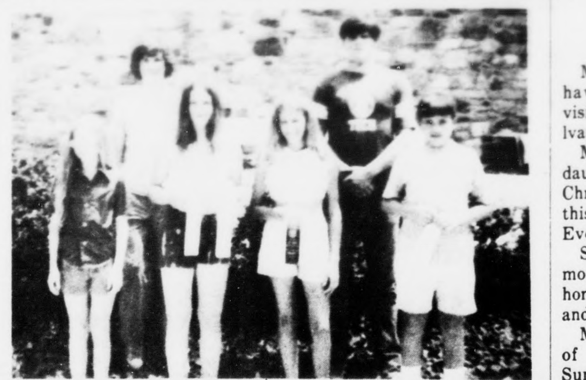
Mrs. Bettie Ranson was dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Ranson Sunday also Mrs. Elsie Perdieu of Drakes Branch. Mrs. Barbara Wilmouth spent the afternoon in the same home. Mrs. Elsie Perdieu will spend this week with Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Ranson.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Farrar spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Coleman of Barnes Junction.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Almond and Mr. and Mrs. Ted Almond were called to West Virginia Sunday in the death of their aunt, Mrs. Aubrey Dickerson. A number will attend the Dickerson funeral on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Ranson, of Richmond, spent Sunday here.

Miss Susan Launi will return home to Connecticut this week after spending several weeks



Appomattox 4-H Meats Judging Team

Six Appomattox 4-H members participated in a recently held 4-H Meats Identification and Evaluation Contest held on the Virginia Tech Campus at Blacksburg. Pictured above, left to right, are Elizabeth Coffey, Robert Dyess, Mary Dyess, Lisa Moore, Ed Dike and Ernie Chenault.

Elizabeth, Mary, Lisa and Ernie competed in the Junior Division and received a Third Place Team Award. Lisa and Mary were named sixth and tenth individuals respectively.

Ed and Robert competed as individuals and as a team of two in the Senior Division.

4-H Meats Identification and Judging teaches the members to identify retail and wholesale cuts of beef and pork; and to judge meat for quality.

Gladstone

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Cyrus have returned home after visiting relatives in Pennsylvania.

Miss Kemberly Carter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Christian Carter is spending this week in the home of Mrs. Evelyn Williams in Richmond.

Stephanie Banton of Richmond spent last week in the home of her grandparents. Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. William Bryant of Madison Heights spend Sunday in the home of Mrs. Bryants parents, Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie McFadden.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Moore and Vicki are spending this week at Myrtle Beach in South Carolina. Mrs. Moore and Vicki with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Moore.

Mrs. W. W. Fleshman is home from the hospital after an operation.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Ranson are proud grandparents again. Also Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ranson are happy great grandparents.

Jane and Timmy Almond spent Sunday with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Richardson.

The Rocks Quartet went to Sandy Bottom Church, Madison Heights Sunday night to sing. Let's be much in prayer for these men as they are spreading God's word through song.

Rev. Don Wagner brought another good message Sunday morning and Sunday night.

spent last Wednesday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Harvey of Collen, Virginia.

Guest last Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Burke Smoot was their daughter and son in law, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Johnson of Clifton Forge, Virginia.

Mrs. Julia Brown, Mr. George Brown and G. C. from Lynchburg, Karen Krouse from Florida, Mrs. Alice Woody of Richmond, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Spiggle and Terri, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Granato from Appomattox. Mrs. Lewis Harris from Gladstone were guest last week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Spiggle.

Miss Vicki Moore has returned home after spending six weeks in Spain.

Mr. Joe Taylor is a patient in Emmett Memorial Hospital in Clifton Forge, Virginia.

Friends were sorry to hear of the death this week of Mr. John Banton. We extend sympathy to the family.

Mrs. Alice Woody of Richmond spent the week end in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Harris.

We were sorry to hear of the death last week of Mrs. Douglas McCormick and extend sympathy to the family.

Mr. Wayne Mundy has returned to his home in Baltimore after spending a week in the home of his grandmother, Mrs. Belle Mundy.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Edward Moore and children spent the week end in Deltaville, Virginia.

Mrs. Maude Phelps recently had all her children and grandchildren to enjoy her birthday dinner with her.

Mr. and Mrs. Dallas Summers and children spent this week end in Maryland.

Mrs. T. M. Harris visited his brother, Mr. Willis Harris last Tuesday at the Spout Spring Nursing Home.

Mr. W. F. Quinn has been moved from the hospital to the Medical Care Center in Lynchburg.

Mrs. Bea Wallace was in Lynchburg on Tuesday to see Dr. Hobbs to have her eyes checked.

Beckham

AUGUST 19 - Mr. and Mrs. Albert Goodman of Springfi Ohio, spent last week with and Mrs. Robert Morris family and Mrs. S. G. Marti They also visited other rel tives.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Burg Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Burg Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pugh son attended the wedding Mr. and Mrs. Henry Geiger Hopewell Saturday. They w Saturday dinner guest of and Mrs. Clayton Burge.

Mrs. H. C. Moore, Mr. Mrs. Tom Schmutz and gi Mr. and Mrs. Albert Good and Mrs. S. G. Martin w Sunday dinner guests of O. W. Martin, Sr. and Mr. Mrs. R. B. Martin hono Mrs. O. W. Martin, Sr. birthday.

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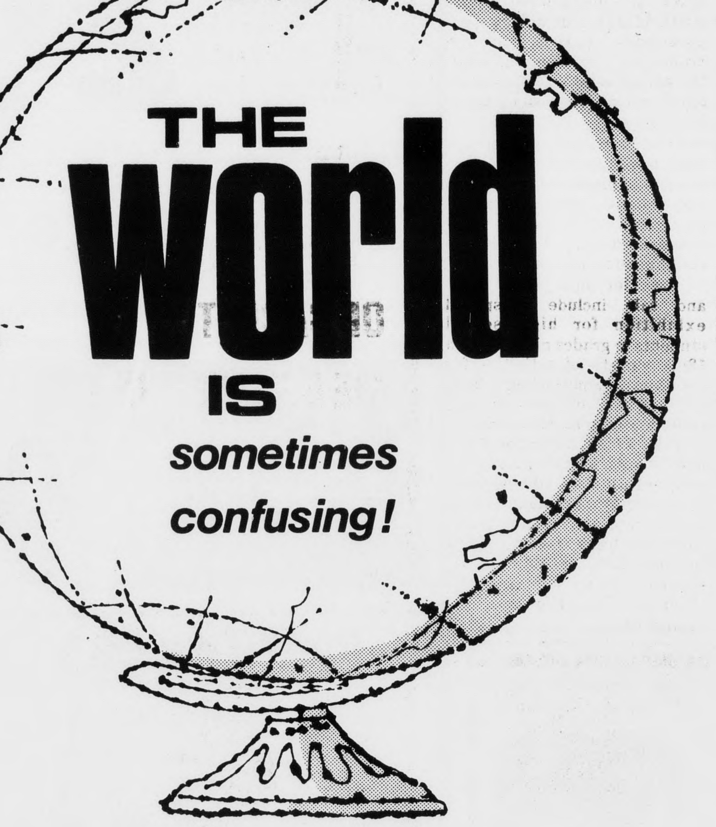
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GOOD NEWS FOR HOMEMAKERS

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ning A Dinner Party

mptuous or simple, a party these days repre a sizable investment. By the groundwork in you can help ensure a ful evening, one you can along with your guests. suggestions can make planning easier:

lify your menu. Even st elegant dinner can be on a simple menu. Just ber that more isn't rily better; often it can ate preparing and serv meal. Plan to serve just things, but make each one ting special.

inate salad if it poses a Salads are good with roasts, casseroles, and ti, and other main like game, duck, ham, ast pork are just as good mented with cooked

ore your menu. If you erving a heavy main start your dinner with thing light - - say consom rinkled with chives or a cheese souffle. If your ourse is light, make your t more substantial. Keep oeuvres to a minimum so can appreciate the main tion.

ess quality, not quantity. want to have steak t scuttling your budget, serve moderate-sized in portions. Then dress platter with garnishes of mushrooms, cherry es, and small whole

textures, flavors, When your main is a creamy cheese repeating either eese flavor or the smooth re. Eye appeal is import If you are serving fish, accompanying vegetables not be too light in color. don't repeat the same of foods. If you are ham with pineapple, let the only fruit in your Even your cooking ds should be varied, too many fried or boiled foods in the same menu become monotonous. Study your menu carefully. A selection of your favorite recipes doesn't always make a well-balanced menu.

Plan to do as much as possible in advance. When guests arrive, you'll want to be with them, not stuck in the kitchen.

Plan the use of your range. Popovers are a delight with roast beef - - but not if you only have one oven. A last-minute discovery that popovers need a 450° oven while your roast is cooking at 350° is the kind of problem you don't need, so map your strategy in detail. Making a written time-table can help you remember all the last minute things.

Consider how you will be serving. Using a knife and fork can be difficult for a guest who's balancing a plate on his lap, and even a delicate patty shell under your cream lobster can be a problem to cut for someone standing up.

Smile. It's the rare party that doesn't have at least one mishap. Expect it and train yourself to stay calm. If your souffle flops, substitute whatever you have ready as a first course and remember to keep smiling.

RECIPE OF THE WEEK
Chicken in the Oven

This is a good recipe for a special dinner. Your guests will want your recipe before they leave for home.

Number of Servings - 8
2 chickens (lg. fryers)
½ margarine (melted)
2 c. dry bread crumbs
¾ c. Parmesan cheese
¼ c. parsley (fresh or flakes)
1 clove garlic or garlic salt
2 t. salt
Pepper

Combine bread crumbs, cheese, parsley, garlic, salt and pepper; mix well. Cut large fryers in serving sized pieces. Dip pieces into margarine then into crumb mixture. Place in a long flat, uncovering baking pan on broiler pan. If any is left over, the crumb mixture is good on top of chicken bake one hour at 350°F.

Club Sets w, Sale In nchburg

e Second Annual Lynch Art Festival, planned and ed by The Lynchburg Art planned and staged by Lynchburg Art Club, Inc. co-sponsored by Fidelity nal Bank, will be held day, September 21 on the nds of E. C. Glass High from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. is open to the general

e show and sale of art welcomes participation by artist 18 years of age or No geographic limits are Paintings, sculpture, draw prints and photography e accepted for judging and tion. In addition artist may have portfolios of their works. Explanatory brochures and additional information may be obtained by writing the club headquarters at 1011 Rivermont Avenue, Lynchburg, Va.

Plans for this year's show and sale include a special exhibition for high school students in grades nine through 12; a variety of activities for children; home-cooked food, and other diversions for spectators and particpants.

Over $2000 in prizes have been contributed for awards by supporting Lynchburg businesses and industries, as well as by interested individuals. Entrance brochures for registration will go out to artists, art galleries and to points in Virginia and neighboring states in August.

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